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Re App : David M. Flynn et al. : January 18, 2000  
Appl. No. : 09/139,155 : Art Unit 3737  
Filed : August 24, 1998 : Examiner Ross Gushi  
For : ADAPTER INTEGRATED INTO A LEAD BODY  
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

I hereby certify that the Reply and Amendments Under 37 CFR 1.111 and a transmittal cover letter in connection with the above-identified patent are being deposited with the United States Postal Service first class postage prepaid on the date indicated above and is addressed to: Box Non-Fee Amendments, The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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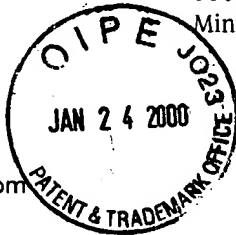
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Sir:

Enclosed herewith for filing is the Amendment and Written Reply Under Rule 37 CFR 1.111 for the patent "ADAPTER INTEGRATED INTO A LEAD BODY" and a transmittal cover letter along with a Certificate of Mailing.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees or refund any overpayment under 37 CFR 1.111 which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 08-1265.

Yours very truly,

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**REPLY AND AMENDMENTS UNDER 37 CFR 1.111**

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The Commissioner of Patent and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the first Official Action of October 15, 1999, applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and further examination and entry of the following amendments.

**I. IN THE CLAIMS**

Please amend claims 1 and 9 as follows:

1. (Once Amended) A lead capable of electrical and mechanical coupling to both a port of an implantable medical device's header assembly and to another lead, said lead comprising:
  - (a) an elongated, [flexible, electrically insulating] main body portion having a proximal and distal end;
  - (b) at least one terminal connector attached to the proximal end of the main body and adapted for coupling the lead to a header assembly of [an implantable] a medical device;
  - (c) at least one electrode embodied within [a distal end portion of] the main body portion;